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April Membership Meeting Notice

Date: April 19, 2007 **Time:** 5:30pm Registration/Social Time
Thursday 6:00pm Dinner/Program

Events Calendar

04/19 - Membership Meeting @ Old Spaghetti Factory

05/07 Board Meeting @ Anchor Ins.

05/24 Membership Meeting

05/17-20/ 2007 - Region 9 Forum, Boise

06/04 - Board Meeting @ Anchor Ins.

06/08 - Golf Tournament

Location: Wilf's Restaurant 503.223.0070
800 NW 6th (Located in Union Station by the Broadway Bridge)
Portland, OR (Parking in a space other than a Wilf's designated spot will result in a ticket, if you don't pay ahead)

Cost: \$25.00 (Includes meal choice, dessert, coffee, tea, ice tea, soda or milk. Alcohol beverages at your additional cost)

Dinner: Seasonal Green Salad with Vanilla Bean Vinaigrette, Stuffed Medallions with Mornay Sauce, Whipped potatoes, Vegetable, Lemon Blueberry Bar

Program: Safety Presentation by Diana Gray, OSHA
CAD Award to winner of Chapter CAD Contest - Sherri

Contact Edie Bales by noon, April 16th, if you need to cancel your standing reservation, are bringing a guest, or if you are a permanent cancel and will attend. edibal@safeco.com or 503.697.0171 Note: Due to reservation commitments, a minimum of 48 hours cancellation notice is required or you will be invoiced.

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A Message from our President, Gloria Bruning

Greetings~

At our March meeting we celebrated WIC Week by honoring our past, present and future as women in construction. Anne Wagner, Shelley Richards and Betty Wollam put together a terrific program. Julie Puderbaugh and Yasmine Branden provided personal testimonials about their careers in construction and their NAWIC history. And to top it all off ... we had distinguished guests in our presence! Lesley Berry and Dorothy Hochhalter, both past presidents, were able to join us.

At our April meeting, we will have an opportunity to meet Nancy Merchant, CAD instructor at the Schellenberg Center and the 1st place winner of the CAD contest, along with our OSHA speaker. CAD committee chair, Sherri McCurdy, will be presenting the student with his/her cash prize.

Forum 2007 is just around the corner. To date, Yasmine, Edie, Bonnie and I have registered to attend. The hotel cut-

off date is April 17th. The deadline to sign up is May 4th. If you've never attended a regional event, I strongly encourage you to consider attending Forum. It's a great way to increase your construction knowledge, meet ladies throughout Region 9 and become more familiar with the benefits of being a member of NAWIC.

I'd like to extend a special welcome to our three new members: Christina Fell, Emerick Construction Co.; Jodie Guthrie, Legend Homes/Matrix Dev. and Nancy Oswald, Legend Homes.

Connie Ashbrook with Oregon Tradeswomen is also processing her membership paperwork.

Julie Puderbaugh and her committee continue to work very hard on the upcoming golf tournament, June 8th. Formal invitations, listing all 2007 sponsors to date, are scheduled to be sent out April 15th.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting.

NAWIC Guideline No. 4

Each Member has a standing dinner reservation for the monthly meeting, unless otherwise specifically arranged. If a reservation is not canceled by noon on Monday of the week of the meeting, the Member will be billed for the cost of the dinner.

Welcome to our New Chapter 54 Members!

Christina Fell – Emerick Construction Co.

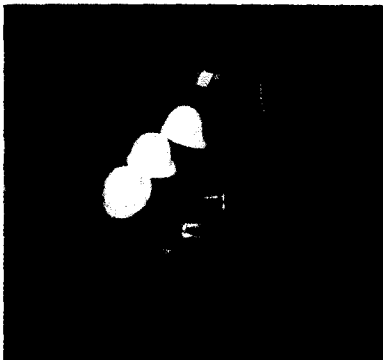
Connie Ashbrook – Oregon Tradeswomen Association Connie is a prior NAWIC Chapter 54 Member and also a NAWIC National Crystal Vision Award winner.

Jodie Guthrie – Legend Homes/Matrix Dev.

Nancy K. Oswald – Legend Homes

Spring into Spring!

Great time for a road trip to any one of a number of beautiful spots in the Northwest. Don't go unprotected. Be sure to have one of our Roadster Kits in the car! You'll never know when you'll need to check the air in your tires or ??? And of course you will want to look good, so be sure to wear a stylish NAWIC polo shirt! Grab your keys that are on a cool NAWIC key chain, get the kids in the car.... Oops, Kids...you'll want to keep them occupied and our Hardhat Stress Relievers will do the trick. Keep their little hands busy! You can also keep several up front to toss at the little darlings if you need to get their attention. They won't cause serious injuries and little or no bruising! For more information, contact Yasmine at : yasmine@usfamily.net or 503.701.5871



**Black Polo Shirt
Stress Hats
Key Chains**



Polo Shirt



Vest



Roadster Set

Chapter 54 2007 CAD Competition

Reported by Sherri McCurdy, CAD Chair

Chapter 54 held their 2007 CAD Competition at Sabin-Schellenberg Center in Milwaukie again this year. Students from Milwaukie, Clackamas and Rex Putnam attend classes at the center. Nancy Merchant is the CAD instructor and has had her students participate in NAWIC's CAD Competition for several years now.

The students projects were judged Wednesday, April 4th. The results are:

Tom Carroll – 1st Place

Kevin Jackson – 2nd Place

Laicina Canham – 3rd Place

Sherri feels we assembled one of our best judging teams. They were very informative as they judged each entry. Nancy uses all their feedback to help her teach. That is probably why for several years the winner of our competition has gone on to win the Region 9 award and one year our winner went on to take 2nd at National! A special thank you to the following people. They gave their time and expertise to judge each contestant's project.

**Phil McCurdy, Phillip R. McCurdy Architecture, P.C.
Sherri McCurdy, Phillip R. McCurdy Architecture, P.C.**

Keith Lee, Architect

Scott Miller, MFIA (electrical engineer)

Bob Buttke, C E Snodgrass

Craig Snodgrass

Nancy Merchant, Tom Carroll, Kevin Jackson and Laicina Canham have been invited to our April membership meeting. We will present the prize money and hear about the project and competition.

**2007 Women in Trades Career Fair**

Student Days - May 3 & 4, 2007 Open to all - May 5, 2007

Where: NECA/IBEW Electrical Training Center
16021 NE Airport Way
Portland, OR

Interactive, trades related career fair serving 2,000 youth and adults.

Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. are looking for Sponsors, Exhibit Hosts, someone to Lead a Workshop and Volunteers and people to attend. If interested, please contact them at 503.335.8200 X21 or fair@tradeswomen.net Oregon Tradeswomen - www.tradeswomen.net



Golf Tournament Fundraiser!
"Not Just for Girls Tournament"

When: Friday, June 8, 2007
Registration – Driving Range & Practice Green Open: 10:30 am
Shotgun Start: 12:00 pm
BBQ Steak Dinner 4:30 pm
Awards & Raffle: 5:30 pm
Where: Meriwether National Golf Course
5200 SW Rood Br. Rd., Hillsboro, OR

This is our Chapter annual fundraiser. We depend on funds raised each year to carry out our educational efforts. We are looking for sponsors and participants. For more information on sponsorship, please see attached flyer.

If you, or you know of someone who would be interested in sponsoring or participating, please contact Julie Puderbaugh at Coffman Excavation 503.656.0686 or jpuderbaugh@coffmanteam.co Members, we are also looking for volunteers to help with the event.



In Memory

Margaret "Peggy" Fisher
 1914-2007

Peggy was a past President of NAWIC Portland Chapter 54. Some may know her as Peggy Alexander. She was president from 1970-1971.

Peggy passed away March 24, 2007 in King City.

Peggy worked in the Portland area as a payroll clerk for many years. At retirement, she and her husband, Ernie moved to Lahaina Maui, HI for several years before moving back to the mainland.

Services have been held. Remembrances in the form of donations to Odysee Home Health of Beaverton.

Region 9 Membership Contest!

Remember, with every new member, Chris Jett (Regional Membership Chair) will personally put \$5 in the pot.

The donation will be split between:

- The Chapter with the highest % of retention
- The individual with the highest number of recruits

Donations Will be made towards the Chapter's / Member's Ladder Club pin by our humble Region 9 Membership Chair...Chris Jett!

Contest dates 10/1/06 through 9/31/07
 Awards presented at APC 07

Final contest awards will be based on NAWIC national membership reporting

Happy Easter to all!